Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. Canceled

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim <u>419</u>, wherein a session sequence number is assigned to a session when a session is initiated, and said sequence number is stored in said array.

- 3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein as input and output operations are processed, the session sequence number is stored in a chunk allocation block.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 119, wherein said data affected by said at least one second session write operation is copied from a source disk to be stored at a cache disk.
- 5. (Canceled)
- 6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 119, wherein sessions are assigned specific slots in the array, and wherein when a new session is to replace a corresponding prior session, it is assigned to the same slot in the array as the prior session.
- 7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said sessions are assigned session ID's, and wherein the session ID of a prior invalidated session is different from the session ID of a later corresponding session assigned to its same slot in the array.

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